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Enclosed find initialed copies of the IDS form 1449 filed on 12-12-05 and 12-22-05 (both citing the same reference). Claims 1-4 and 8-12 remain allowable over the cited reference which fails to teach the claimed structural elements.

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